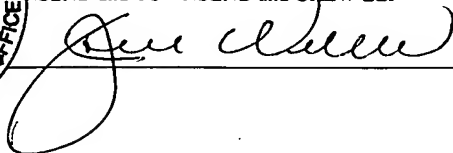


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Sir:

Applicant requests a one-month extension of time from January 4, 2006 to February 4, 2006 and authorizes the Commissioner to charge the fee therefor, and any additional fee that may be due, to our deposit account in accordance with the attached Fee Transmittal sheet.

In response to the Final Rejection dated October 4, 2005, please enter the following remarks.

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